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AN ARISTOCRATIC DEMOCRAT

The most distinguished order of St. Michael and St. George, factiously known in England as the Order of the Michelmas Goose, which has been conferred on the Premier of Canada has for its motto the words "auspicio melioris aevi"—which being freely translated, means "a pledge of better times."

As a member of the Privy Council, Mr. Wilfrid Laurier is entitled to be addressed as the Right Honourable, so that those of us who are fortunate enough to enjoy the privilege of correspondence with him should in future address him as the Right Honourable Sir Wilfrid Laurier, G.C.M.G. The Order consists of three divisions, the first being that of Knight Grand Cross, or G.C.M.G., numbering 66 members. The second division has 200 members, who are called Knights Commanders, or K.C.M.G. The third division, which does not involve Knighthood, consists of 329 Companions, who are entitled to affix the letters C.M.G. to their names. Sir Wilfrid, has consequently been placed in the first rank without having had to enjoy any apprenticeship in the other two. The people of Canada will certainly be proud of the course adopted in thus signify honouring their Premier, who it is hoped may long live to enjoy his rank.

Speaking in the abstract, it is somewhat difficult to account for the central following of the Order of honours. There is an old story in existence of the explanation given for the possession of three medals by an English officer who had never seen active service. It was explained that he had won his third medal because he had only had two, that he get the second because he had the first, and he was entitled to the first because he did not have any. In the present case, it would be no doubt that the Premier of Canada is fully entitled to the honours which have been showered upon him since his arrival in England. He has represented the Dominion in an entirely new light, and his course will command the respect of Canada generally. It will, moreover, be satisfactory to his friends to know that notwithstanding his plethoric title, he is still in a state only a short time ago, "a democrat to the life."

IMMIGRATION AGENTS

Under previous Ministers of the Interior the system was adopted of sending out as European immigration agents practical men who knew the western country from long residence therein. Recent events, however, tend to indicate a departure, and the HERALD's humble opinion is not a wise departure, from this system. The new minister has recently appointed several agents with little or no practical experience of the western country, training for their important duties, up to a couple of weeks spent in travelling in comfortable style at the country expense through the West, and, visiting a few of the leading settlements, that a method of getting posted is to say the least, very incomplete and superficial. There are plenty of good men in the far West—men of the highest order—who would make first class agents, and who could be trusted to contribute to the whole country, as fully as some of the recent tender foot appointments.

A SUGGESTION

It is suggested that as the city has a number of high and dry lots which it bought in cheaply at tax sales, it should exchange them for lots in the river and thus give residents of the city a place to live in and a safe location. We suppose that the city has no desire to engage in the business of either speculating or dealing in real estate; it is not within its province, but the lots are valuable, and it would be a few dollars each and it would be a good and permanent improvement if the whole of the flat recently flooded could be secured by the city, and held as a reserve for a public park. For the last few years the city has been taking hold of this question with a view of improving the position of those in the flats, and also removing an unhealthy element in our sanitation.

THE FLOOD LOSERS

What is being done about relieving the sufferers in the flooded section? Is a question many people are asking. Calgary has had a well organized and efficient relief committee taking hold of this question with a view of improving the position of those in the flats, and also removing an unhealthy element in our sanitation.

ELBOW BRIDGE

What is the Council going to do about the Elbow bridge? The superstructure has been here a week and one pier is gone with the rest of the bridge. It is to be hoped that it is thought a new site will have to be chosen and the whole work done over again. If this is true the Council should lose no time in getting it, because the public are suffering great inconvenience from the want of a bridge.

SMELTERS PROTECTED

It is stated that the Pilot Bay smelters, and the Canadian smelters, have been bought by Mr. Edward Grantham of the Omaha and Grand Smelting Company. It is this that is meant a general move on the part of smelting men from the United States to Canada. With an adverse tariff imposed by the American Congress on our ores and an export duty levied by our Government very little lead ore will in future be sent to the States for smelting. The smelting industry in Canada now enjoys the highest form of protection.

The Winnipeg Free Press which came to hand today contains a sensational despatch dated from Calgary announcing the suicide of a farm labourer named Edward O'Connell, employed by Sheriff Duffield, and his wife, who had been due to marry him.

The Free Press report came in hand this morning to the two or three citizens who are always glad to find local news elsewhere than in the local press. It is the opinion of the facts and lack of new government on the part of the management of the great Western daily. The only unpleasant feature about the despatch was that it was from the Sheriff. The Sheriff, David Duffield, of the Bow River, was not somebody whatever took place in this neighbourhood on the date in question, and no farm labourer anywhere as far as THE HERALD knows has any need to sue Sheriff Duffield.

A. WYNDHAM, Lt. Col., Guelph, Ont., Alberta, S. W. E. May 28, 1897.

IT STRIKES HOME!

Chair's *Obituary* Cures Iris Irritation

One of the many skin diseases, eczema, is one of the worst afflictions of the human body. The one effective remedy for it is Dr. Chase's Ointment. It has been known to fall Mr. H. H. Marquardt, S. S. Ray, "My Little Daughter," Dr. Ella, aged 10, and Dr. J. C. Chase, "The Derby Owner," in the Tribune a paragraph under the heading "The Derby Owner," it goes on to say, "is a poor working man in the States and only returned to the old country on account of his wife's health. He was indeed a bad case. He had been a patient of Dr. Chase's Ointment. It had been given to him by a doctor friend of mine, and he had been using it for some time, and what would be still better, would be no burden to the patient. The doctor friend, however, had given him a prescription for Dr. Chase's Ointment and in a few days was gone. All doctors and dentists, rates & commissions, Toronto, 25c.

Chase's *Obituary* and Turpentine for skin diseases and dermatitis, rates 25c.

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MR. GUBBINS.

To the Editor of THE HERALD.

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Yours faithfully,
E. J. KIERAN,
Pine Creek, June 22, 1897.

STATUTE LABOUR

The Statute Labour Ordinance passed by the Assembly at Regina does not seem to meet the needs of Alberta, and rate the stock breeding portion of the country. The object of the ordinance is to get roads and fire guards made. The means it adopts is the simple one of requiring from each settler in this district a certain number of days of labour in the various farming districts the system may be a good thing, but in Southern Alberta, where there is about one settler to four or five sections of land is about 1000. Its results would be that the settlers would be compelled to build roads for the benefit of the corporations and other owners of vacant lands. Even in well settled districts such as Delta, where the land is good, there is about one man is a cattle raiser and has three or four hours a day occupied with "chores" that must be attended to, and consequently very little time is left to put in on personal improvement. The settlers would be compelled to work for us, as we have had the Statute Labour Ordinance is the reverse of popular in the cattle country and certainly when the facts are considered it does not appear to be popular. Moreover, the cost of making more road would make such as just introduced here and elsewhere, as the cost of the labour. The Government will supply the agricultural and a man equal to work for us, as we have had the Statute Labour Ordinance is the reverse of popular in the cattle country and certainly when the facts are considered it does not appear to be popular. Moreover, the cost of making more road would make such as just introduced here and elsewhere, as the cost of the labour.

"Don" Shampen, who is on his way to South America at the country's expense, was banqueted in Rossland a few days ago.

The Rossland Miner reports that Ferguson, the chief town of the Lardeau, is going rapidly ahead.

PROTECTION vs. RECIPROCITY

To the Editor of THE HERALD.

For years I have been a strong advocate of protection, and believed it was necessary to the building up of this country. At this time, however, I am in favour of greater interest in the trade with her colonies, and it has been a long time since I have been in favour of giving her colonies preferential treatment for their products. They can only compete on a level scale basis so far as possible consistently with a system where established, our agricultural population will be unable to compete with the wealth of a nation depends on it is export, protection Canada may retain but will not add to her wealth, because more than the home market can consume, and wish to extend their export of products, to meet the cost of production, to enable them to compete, good deal in countries where labour is cheaper, which could only be done by a reduction in wages, which at the present time is not practical. What is old is new again.

Manager Mathews of the C. P. R. has said that he will not be surprised to see protection disappearing, as he has to supply so many free meals.

Some of our manufacturers, who are entitled to their free franchise, will be compelled to pay for their transportation, expecting to be paid for it, and the cost of paying for their board at the usual rates.

We have the jubilee people is not to be had owing to the trouble. We may have it in Dominion Day, but that is all.

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